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NOTES

FRANCE-ISRAEL: PRIME MINISTER CHABAN-DELMAS RECENTLY TOLD AMBASSADOR SHRIVER THAT FRANCE HAD DELIVERED 200 TONS OF MIRAGE SPARE PARTS TO ISRAEL LAST YEAR AND WOULD CONTINUE TO SUPPLY MIRAGE PARTS IN AMOUNTS REQUIRED FOR "NORMAL UPKEEP AND MAINTENANCE." [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] HE SAID, HOWEVER, THAT IF THERE WERE MAJOR ANTI-FRENCH DEMONSTRATIONS WHEN PRESIDENT POMPIDOU VISITS THE US LATER THIS MONTH, FRANCE WOULD CONSIDER EMBARGOING ALL FUTURE PARTS SHIPMENTS. THE TENOR OF THE PRIME MINISTER'S STATEMENTS INDICATES THAT HE WAS PRIMARILY CONCERNED WITH DEFUSING POTENTIAL CRITICISM OF FRENCH MIDDLE EAST POLICY.

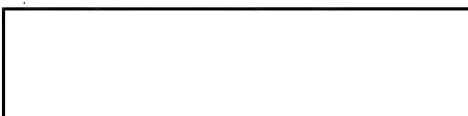
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